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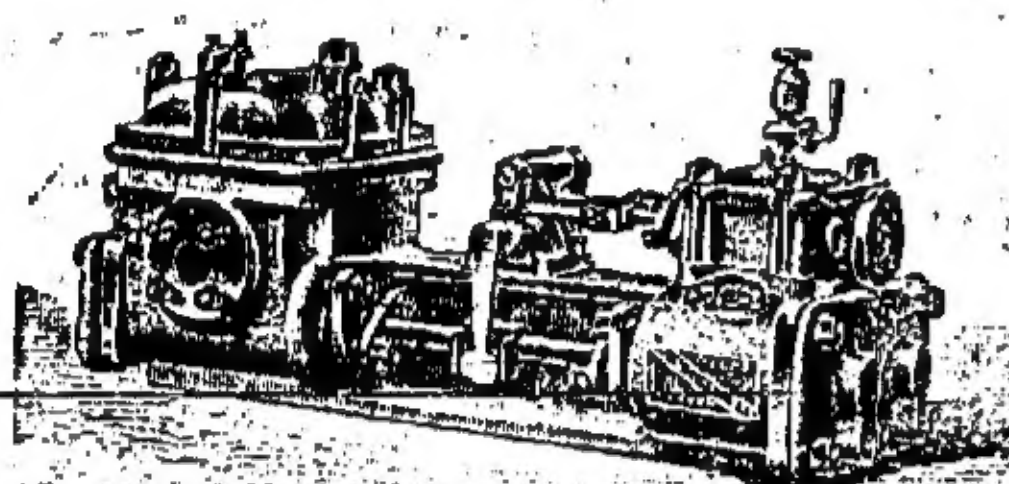
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SHIPS, ENGINEERS AND HOUSE BUILDERS.  
Hongkong, May 20, 1900. 1227

THEATRE ROYAL,  
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LECTURE.

IN AID OF THE INDIAN FAMINE  
FUND,  
WEDNESDAY,  
At the 13th June, 1900, at 8.20 p.m.,  
Captain PERCY SCOTT, R.N., C.B.,  
and A. H. LIMPUS, R.N., have kindly  
consented to lecture upon the subject of  
the 'MOUNTAINS OF THE NAVAL GUN' and  
their subsequent use with the LADY-  
SMITH RELIEF COLUMN.

His Excellency Major-General CAS-  
COIGNE, C.M.G., will take the Chair.  
Fences—Dress Circle and Stalls,  
(Reserved) One Dollar.  
Pit, (Unreserved), Fifty Cents.  
Tickets may be obtained from the Com-  
mittee at the City Hall on and after  
Thursday, the 7th day of June, 1900, at  
10 a.m.

H. E. POLLOCK,  
Honorary Secy. Voluntary Society,  
Hongkong, June 1, 1900. 1289

NOTICE.  
HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND  
FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

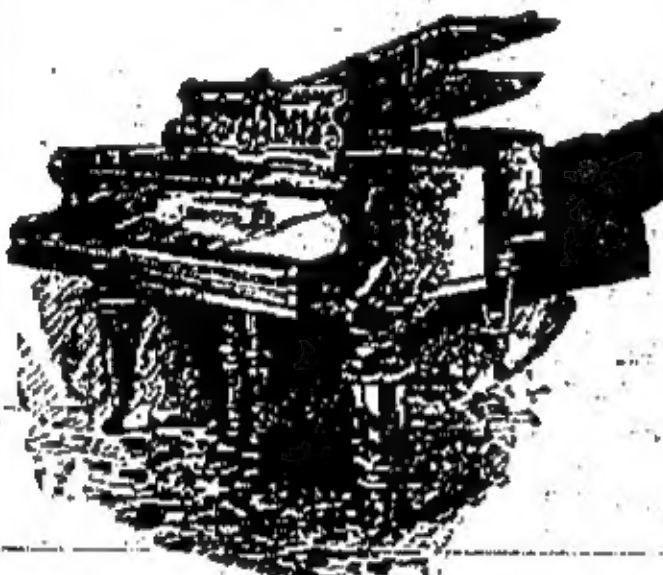
THIS CERTIFICATE No. 2,686, dated  
18th January, 1900, of the Shares  
numbered 10,201 to 10,229 in this Com-  
pany, standing in the name of Mr. JAY  
BUTT, of Yokohama, has been LOST,  
and if at the expiration of One month from  
the date hereof, the above document be  
not forthcoming, another Certificate will  
be issued by the Company, and thereafter  
no other will be acknowledged.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
Governing Directors.  
Hongkong, May 12, 1900. 1099

WANTED.  
A POSITION, by a EUROPEAN  
(GERMAN), who was for more than  
4 years Assistant Manager in one of the  
biggest Commercial and Industrial Firms of  
SOUTHERN INDIA. (Wants to change posi-  
tion on Account of Private Affairs. Age  
27, unmarried, could join soon.—Apply to  
the Manager of This Paper under 'H. T.,  
1414; best references.' 1210

DOOLITTLE AND POLLOCK,  
COMMISSION AGENTS,  
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HONGKONG.  
Agents for AMERSON PAPER COMPANY,  
Hongkong, May 7, 1900. 1088

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT AND AGENCY COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a  
MEETING of the Board of Directors  
of the above Company, held at the Reg-  
istered Office of the Company, Queen's  
Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on  
Tuesday, the Twenty-Seventh day of March,  
1900, the following resolutions were  
passed:

1. That in pursuance of the provisions  
of the Special Resolution passed at  
an Extraordinary General Meeting of  
the Company held on the 7th,  
and confirmed on the 27th March  
instant, and since duly registered,  
the sum of \$1,200,000 to be withdrawn  
from the Reserve Fund, and be  
carried as of the 2nd July next,  
to the Credit of Capital Account,  
each share being credited with a  
sum of \$25, as paid up thereon in  
addition to the sum of \$50 now  
standing to the credit of each share.  
That the balance of \$25 per share  
of the Capital of the Company be  
called up, and that a Call  
be and is hereby made of \$25 per  
share upon all the shares of the  
Company, and that the Share-  
holders be requested to pay the  
same to the Company's Bankers,  
the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank-  
ing Corporation, at their premises,  
Queen's Road Central, (on or before  
the 2nd day of July A. D. 1900).

Shareholders are hereby requested to pay  
accordingly.

And Notice is also given that, in accor-  
dance with Article 31 of the Company's  
Articles of Association, interest will be  
charged as from the said 2nd day of July  
1900, at the rate of 12 per centum per  
annum, upon all Calls remaining unpaid  
after the 9th day of July 1900, up to the  
actual dates of payment of the same.

By Order of the Board,  
A. SHELTON HOOPER,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, March 27, 1900. 702

KWONG SANG YUEN & CO.,  
MAKERS OF  
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ONLY the best Leaves, selected by our  
special Representative in the Philip-  
pines, are used in the Manufacture of these  
Cigars.  
Samples and Prices, post free, on Appli-  
cation. Inspection cordially invited.  
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CHOICEST DANISH  
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A. BERG,  
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Hongkong, May 23, 1900. 1189

THE 'STAR' FERRY COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an  
EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL  
MEETING of the 'STAR' FERRY  
CO., LIMITED, will be held at the  
Company's Office, No. 2, Commercial Road,  
Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the  
11th day of June, 1900, at 12.30 o'clock in  
the afternoon, when the SUBJOINED  
RESOLUTION, which was passed at the  
Extraordinary General Meeting of the  
Company held on the 23rd day of May,  
1900, will be submitted for confirmation as  
a SPECIAL RESOLUTION.

That the Resolution contained in Table  
A in force as they apply to this Company  
be altered as follows:

That the following clause be substituted  
for Clause 17 of Table A:—'The  
quorum for all the purposes of a  
General Meeting shall be not less  
than five members present in per-  
son or by proxy. No business  
shall be transacted at any General  
Meeting, unless the quorum re-  
quisite be present at the commence-  
ment of the business.'

By Order,  
EDWARD OSBORNE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, May 23, 1900. 1206

THE 'STAR' FERRY COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Issue of \$100,000 New Capital.  
IN 10,000 SHARES OF \$10 EACH, \$2.50 PAID  
UP.—AT A PREMIUM OF \$8.50 PER  
SHARE, \$1.50 PAID UP.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Issue  
of \$100,000 New Capital which was  
sanctioned at the Extraordinary General  
Meeting of the Company held on 27th May,  
1900, will be offered to those persons who  
are Registered as Shareholders on the 9th  
June, 1900, in the proportion of One New  
Share to Every Old Share.  
The New Shares will be issued at a  
Premium of \$8 making a Total Payment of  
\$10 per Share, of which \$2.50 per Share  
and \$1.50 Premium—\$4 in all, will be  
PAYABLE on the 16th June, 1900, and  
the Balance when called for.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-  
pany will be CLOSED from the 9th June  
to the 11th June, both days inclusive.  
By Order,  
EDWARD OSBORNE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, May 23, 1900. 1207

### Business Notices.

## BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED.

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SOFT SHIRTS,

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Manager, RICHARD FLINT.

NOTICE.

FROM This Date, Mr. DONALDSON  
RIDDELL LAW and Mr. HENRY  
WALLACE ROBERTSON are authorized  
to SIGN our Firm's name, and the authority  
to SIGN our Firm's name held by Mr. Hen-  
ry Wallace Robertson is withdrawn.  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.  
Hongkong, June 1, 1900. 1256

## EYE-SIGHT.

NOTICE.

I AM continuing my sight-testing Rooms  
at W. BREWER & Co.,  
which during my absence will be in Charge  
of Mr. McLean, Member Ph. Socy.  
A Register of all GLASSES supplied to  
my constituents in the Far East is kept  
here and any kind of ordinary or special  
lenses can be obtained.  
REPAIRS A SPECIALTY.  
N. LAZARUS.  
1122

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THE SUMMER HAS COME  
AND SO HAVE

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But the latter have come to stay.

OUR

SODA, POTASH, TONIC, RASPBERRYADE,  
SARSAPARILLA, LEMON-SQUASH, SELTZER, LITHIA,  
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are second to none. Our machinery being of the very newest  
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Factories—HONGKONG AND MACAO.

Glazed Stoneware, Drain Pipes and Fittings, Glazed  
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Re-Building, etc. Full particulars and estimates for New Organs  
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NEWLY-FURNISHED ROOMS.  
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STRAW BOATING HATS, MANILA HATS, SUMMER TERAE HATS, KNITTED  
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St. James' Gazette, London.

CALBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,  
Agents, Hongkong,  
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THE STARMILWAUKEE BEER,

Per Cask of 10 Dozen Pints ..... \$25.00.

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The only Effectual Remedy for Allaying  
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FLOOR OIL CLOTHS AND LINOLEUMS

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FLOOR MATS,

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## To-day's Advertisements

INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS OF HONGKONG (INCORPORATED, 1891).

## NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

A DINNER will be held in the Room of the above Institution, on June 4th. Members are cordially invited. Particulars can be obtained from the Manager, Hongkong, June 2, 1900. 1205

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship "THALIS," Captain Doreham, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th inst., at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARSEN & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, June 4, 1900. 1273

THE OSAKA SHUNN KAISHA, LD.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAMSUI.

MAIDZURU MARU, Captain T. Otsu, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 10th inst., at daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MITSUBISHI KAISEN, Agents, Hongkong, June 4, 1900. 1272

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR RANDANAN, MAUSANG.

Captain KYNCH, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 11th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, June 4, 1900. 1274

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship "MENELAUS," Captain PEARCE, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 10th inst., at Noon.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, June 4, 1900. 1271

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of cargo from LONDON and HAVRE, ex s.s. *Comet*, from BORDEAUX, ex s.s. *President de la Republique*, in connection with the above steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure & Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before 8 a.m. To-day, the 4th inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned, Good consignment and delivery of cargo will be made on or before the 11th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All Damaged Packages will be examined on Monday, the 11th inst., at 3 p.m. No fire insurance has been effected.

G. DE CAMPEAUX, Agent, Hongkong, June 4, 1900. 1270

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

IMPORTERS OF HIGH-CLASS BRANDIES.

A — Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capsule ... \$18.00

B — Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capsule ... 21.00

C — Very Old Liqueur Cognac ... 24.00

V. O. — D — Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1872 Vintage, Red Capsule 36.00

V. V. O. — H — Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1892 Vintage ... 45.00

All our Brandy is guaranteed to be PURE COGNAC, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

Smaller quantities and sample bottles will be supplied at proportionate wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

## DEATH.

On the 28th April, at her residence, Rialto Park, Fanny Hosia, wife of George Grey Sullivan, R.N., H.B.M.'s Consul at Amoy and Ningbo, China; aged 61 years.

The publication of this issue commenced at 12.30 p.m.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JUNE 4, 1900.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

The delivery of the French Mail was begun at 9.30 p.m. yesterday.

H.M.S. *Taiwan* came out of dock yesterday and was towed to her accustomed position.

The *Gloria*, battleship, is to be ready for commission at Portsmouth by the first week in July.

The valuation lists of the Colony for 1899-1900 will be open to inspection at the Treasury for 21 days, beginning to-day.

It was understood that Captain the Hon. Hedworth Lamington, C.B., was to pay off the cruiser *Porpoise*, at Portsmouth about the end of May.

Mr. J. Roberts, the billiard champion, passed through Colombo on May 21, en route for Australia, where he is to give a series of exhibitions.

In the *Chronicle of the London Missionary Society* for May there is a contribution by Dr. R. M. Gibson, entitled "Medical Students at Hongkong."

It is officially announced that Lieutenant N. T. O'Gorman has been granted an extension of six months from April 18 in his appointment as D.A.A.G., China.

On 13th June, Captain Percy Scott, R.N., C.B., and Captain A. H. Lumsden, R.N., will lecture in the Theatre Royal, City Hall, on the "Mounting of the Naval guns and their subsequent use with the Ladysmith Relief Column." The proceeds will be devoted to the Indian Famine Relief Fund.

**Boer Prisoners for Ceylon.**

The authorities at Colombo have received intelligence to the effect that the first consignment of prisoners to be sent to Ceylon will number 2,000; but beyond knowing that the prisoners will be dispatched, the authorities are not aware of the exact date on which they will arrive in Ceylon.

**The "Flour de Lotus."**

The junk *Flour de Lotus* is not likely to be on exhibition at the 25th Exhibition.

Advice from Colombo dated May 18 states that the captain had not been aboard the vessel for ten days, and the crew were destitute of provisions. The junk has been detained on a writ in consequence of the non-payment of towage charges from Singapore to the owners of the steamer *Chivell*.

**"Gazette" Notifications.**

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to make the following appointments which are notified in the Government Gazette, viz:—

Francis Arthur Huzeland, Barrister-at-Law, to be Acting Police Magistrate and Coroner, vice H. H. J. Gompertz, appointed, Land Officer, until further notice; and Andrew R. Grieco to be Lieutenant in D. Infantry Company, Hongkong Volunteer Corps, with effect from 31st ultimo. His Excellency has also been pleased to recognise William F. Aldrich, Esquire, as Vice and Deputy Consul General for the United States of America at Hongkong.

**New Territory Appointments.**

The following appears in the Government Gazette issued on Saturday, viz:—It is hereby notified that His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to make, under The Land Court (New Territories) Ordinance, 1900, and with the approval of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the following appointments to the Land Court constituted under such Ordinance:—Henry Edward Pollo K. Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, to be President of the said Court, until further notice. Henry Heston Johnston Compton, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, to be a Member of the said Court, until further notice. His Excellency has also been pleased to appoint, provisionally and until further notice, Joseph Horsford Kemp, Esquire, to be the Registrar of the said Court. By Command, F. H. MAY, Acting Colonial Secretary.

**Stearns' Headache Cure**

has been proven in thousands of cases to be a speedy and reliable cure for all kinds of Headaches. Stearns is the original. Sold by all chemists. Wholesale from A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong.

**THE MODERN BEAUTY**

THRIVES on good food and sunshine, with plenty of exercise in the open air. Her form glows with health and her face blooms with its beauty. If her system needs the cleansing action of a native remedy, she uses the gentle and pleasant Syrup of Figs, made by the California Fig Syrup Co., only. Sold by Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., wholesale or retail.

## TELEGRAMS.

REUTERS' SERVICE.

LONDON, 1st June.

THE ADVANCE ON PRETORIA.

Fighting took place yesterday at Kamefontein, midway between Pretoria and Johannesburg.

It is believed in Pretoria that the telegrams stating the Boers were ready to surrender were perfectly accurate, but the people in Pretoria were misinformed of the course of events and thought the British march near Pretoria thus far.

CONGRATULATIONS FROM THE GERMAN EMPEROR.

The Emperor William has telegraphed his warmest congratulations to the Queen on the success of Lord Roberts.

THE JAPANESE PRINCES IN EUROPE.

Prince Kotokito was banqueted at the Yildiz Kiosk and received the grand order of Osman in brilliant, and Prince Iwakura received the order of Medjidie. The Princes have proceeded to Vienna.

RESULT OF THE OAKS.

1. La Roche.

2. Merry Gal.

3. Lady Schomberg.

THE WAR—FIGHTING IN THE ORANGE RIVER COLONY.

General Buller fought a severe action on the 29th ultimo near Senekal; the result at night follows indecisive.

GRIQUA LAND.

The Yeomanry captured a rebel laager at Kieis in Griqualand West. Major Orr Ewing and three men were killed and three officers and seventeen men wounded.

LONDON, 2nd June.

A thousand rebels surrounded and fired on 700 British troops under Sir Charles Warren at Ficksburg near Douglas.

The rebels were repulsed after severe fighting. The British loss was 15 killed and 30 wounded.

REBELS IN THE ORANGE RIVER COLONY.

At a people's Congress of 100 influential Dutch colonists at Graaf Reinet violent anti-British speeches were made, and resolutions adopted which would cause interference with the Imperial Government in African affairs. Also that if the republics were annexed the country would never know peace and harmony again, and that the restoration of independence was insisted on.

**The Opium Seizure.**

Tsun Wa, the first on board the *Swingway* who was detected on board by Constable Apley and seized in possession of 700 lbs. of prepared opium without a certificate from the opium farmer, was fined \$200, with the alternative of three months' imprisonment. Tsun Wa was not the only one on board the ship as stated in our issue on Saturday, but he was the only man in the sick-hole whose opium was discovered.

**Gymkhana Abandoned.**

The second Gymkhana of the season was to take place on Saturday at noon at Happy Valley. The weather was so unpropitious in the early part of the day that it was decided to postpone the event, and notices were circulated to that effect. Later on the weather cleared up and these notices were cancelled. This was unfortunate for by the hour of commencing sport the weather began to break down, and the course was almost deserted, but nevertheless the belief that it was only a passing shower it was decided to go on with the programme. The band of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers played a piece, and the first event, a race for the Grand Stand for the winner of the ribbon race, was being run but half a length a head of his stable mate, *Demolition King*, who was second. Mr. Potts' "Paddy" winner of Mr. Widdow's prize, was ridden by Mr. Joseph. The race finished in a pretty shower, and the riders were drenched. One or two other races were run but the spectators all disappeared. The weather did not, as was hoped, turn out fine and the Gymkhana had ultimately to be abandoned.

**The Chinese Hallucination—An Example Made.**

Notwithstanding the issuing of notices stating the penalties for firing without permission to the danger of shipping in the Harbour, and also the advice tendered to the junk people by the head men of the village, firing was resumed at Aberdeen Harbour last night. Fearing an outbreak as had been the first, Sergeant Langley boldly went out to the junk people and threatened to have them all locked up if they did not discontinue the firing. The officers promptly ordered the junkies to cease firing, and the junkies, in obedience to the law, they immediately told him that Lemong Shing, a well-to-do fishmonger, proprietor of a fish-vending establishment, and a member of the junk and fishing trade, was the culprit. Lemong Shing, a hoarse, fat, old man, was at once placed under arrest and charged with "unlawfully discharging cannon, and prohibited waters in the Colony." He was taken to the Police Station, and the junkies, who were brought before Mr. Macleod, at the Magistrate's court, and on being asked to plead, said he had been asked to fire by the other junkies. The Magistrate said he must make an example of this man. As wanting to let the junk people in the Colony that they must not discharge firearms, within the precincts of the Harbour, without permission, he would order the full penalty. The junkies, who were brought before Mr. Macleod, at the Magistrate's court, and on being asked to plead, said he had been asked to fire by the other junkies. The Magistrate said he must make an example of this man. As wanting to let the junk people in the Colony that they must not discharge firearms, within the precincts of the Harbour, without permission, he would order the full penalty. The junkies, who were brought before Mr. Macleod, at the Magistrate's court, and on being asked to plead, said he had been asked to fire by the other junkies. The Magistrate said he must make an example of this man. As wanting to let the junk people in the Colony that they must not discharge firearms, within the precincts of the Harbour, without permission, he would order the full penalty.

## THE BOXER MOVEMENT.

MURDER OF CHRISTIANS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

PEKING, May 24.

A Boxer who saw the murder of Mr. Chao, an Evangelist of the London Mission, and of Mr. Liu Ching-yun, an inquirer of the same Mission, gave the following account of the occurrence to a friend of his in this city.

On the 14th of the 4th moon (May 12) the Boxers, in number about 20, were crossing the river Tientsin, about 3 li from Kung-tsun, when they met Mr. Liu Ching-yun. They recognized him as one of the adherents of the Christian Church and at once attacked him and wounded him with their swords. Then they took him and tied him up securely to a tree on the bank of the river. This done, they proceeded to the London Mission Chapel at Kung-tsun, found Mr. Chao, the Evangelist, bound his thumbs and great toes tightly together and carried him to a tree near to that on which Mr. Liu Ching-yun was bound. They then chopped off Mr. Liu Ching-yun's arms, dismembered him, cut off his head and cast it into the river. Afterward all set to work in fury, hacked Mr. Chao into pieces and threw the fragments into the river. Then they returned to the Chapel at Kung-tsun, looted the furniture, smashed the inscription-board to pieces and went away.

I saw the Boxer's friend who recounted this story and have no reason to doubt that it is true.

Some of the Chapel furniture is in the possession of people in Kung-tsun, who were connected with the affair, but the Magistrate of Kung-tsun, in whose district the murder took place, has declined to notice the matter. He did not even go to the blood-stained ground to see the traces of the murder, nor endeavour to recover the dismembered bodies.

The account received by the Rev. T. Howard Smith, of the London Mission in Peking, agrees in the main with the above.

I met one of the Christians who being forewarned left the place the day before the murders took place. He says—"I begged Mr. Chao to come away with me, but he would not, saying, 'It was sent here to work for the Church and it is my duty to stay.' If I lose my life for the sake of religion, I shall be content, and it will be an honour to my name."

The Christian who persuaded him to leave Kung-tsun, told me that personally he felt unworthy of martyrdom, being only a small disciple, and therefore he determined to try to escape. In this he had many difficulties and narrow escapes, but finally got safely to Peking.

The village, Kung-tsun, where these barbarous murders took place, is only 40 English miles from Peking, and the natives Christians are generally alarmed and many have fled from their homes for safety.

It is still hard work for the Foreign Missionaries to induce the Tientsin Yamen to suppress the Boxers. Consistency must be maintained at all costs.

**DEFOCES IN PEKING.**

Friday morning, May 25.

Miss Russell, of the American Board Mission, Peking, has been informed that at Shih-Ting, about thirteen miles from Chieh-Chow, which is thirty-five miles from Peking, there are gathered 20,000 Boxers. The Lai-Shoi official tried to disperse the Boxers, but failed and his own life is in danger.

The Magistrate of Chieh-Chow has come to Peking, probably to report the gravity of the situation, and a deputy has been sent to attend to his duties.

A gathering of nine hundred camps of Boxers is announced to take place on Sunday (27th) at Pu-an-tun, and the direct threats as to the treatment of Christians have been circulated. Nearly all of the said Christians have fled from that place, and these of many other places; have gone into hiding. The refugees had great difficulty in getting lodging at inns on the way and were continually assured that they were "doomed people." The manufacture of swords keeps up in the most hushed manner and the smiths are "coining money."

Miss Russell knows of thirty Christian refugees from the American Board stations who are at present in Peking.

Miss Smith, of the London Mission, knows of fifteen Christian refugees who have come here for protection. In the country the excitement appears to be still growing.

**DEFEAT OF IMPERIAL TROOPS.**

Friday afternoon, May 25.

Professor P. S. Wright has just arrived in Peking from Kalgan. He reports that Boxer placards have been circulated in Kalgan, but at present the army has no assumed serious propositions there.

Duke Yuan, who lives near the Yamen of Changchun, the Military Governor of Peking, has been feeding and encouraging the Boxers.

The force sent out from Tientsin to shoot was defeated. Seventy soldiers and the Commandant were killed, the rest scattered. Confirmation of this came this morning. The Commandant was Colonel Paug of Tientsin.

The anti-foreign feeling is being manifested very emphatically in the northern part of the city, and the numbers of attacks on foreigners and Christians are growing. Two bay placards have been issued, but do not differ materially from previous performances.

At the battle between the Boxers and official soldiers at Shih-Ting, near Lai-Shoi, it is said that the Boxers were victorious and killed about seven out of the soldiers.

It has been announced that an attack on foreigners and Christians will take place on Sunday, 27th inst. This may not be true, but it would be a serious calamity if it were. The Boxers were reported to be 2,000, and there was a large number of soldiers.

## THE WAR.

Occupation of Christians.

London, May 17.—The *Daily Express*, in a special telegram from Tientsin, says that, on Tuesday, the 15th May, General Hunter crossed the border and entered the Tientsin opposite Biggins, point, with a strong force, cautiously following the bank of the river to the East for fifteen miles. The enemy retired in front of him to Christians, and the whole force encamped opposite Wedgwood.

The men eagerly resumed marching in extended order. The artillery were on the right flank, and the whole force had three miles outside Christians, which the Scots Yeomanry reconnoitred and reported that the Boers were fleeing.

General Hunter selected the Scots Fusiliers to enter the town first, as they were the last to encounter the Tientsin in 1881. General Hunter, in person, led the Fusiliers, who were followed by the Lothian Yeomanry, the Artillery, the Kimberley Corps, General Barton's Brigade, Middlesex Regiment, and the Welsh Fusiliers, with the 8th Brigade, as a reserve. General Hunter halted in front of the public offices, obtained the keys, and hoisted the Old Flag. A large number of cattle were captured.

**General Buller's Advance.**

May 20.—A despatch from General Buller, dated Newcastle, May 19th, says: "General Buller arrived at Tzongon on Friday, and Lord Dundonald to Laing, on Saturday. They have almost caught up the trail of the enemy's column. We have captured a few prisoners and wagons. Our men have marched very well indeed. We left Laing on the 10th, and are now 138 miles from it."

General Buller's march forward is magnificent. The roads in places were knee deep in sand, in others terribly dry, rocky, and steep. Not a single man was lost. Dandies in laquered uniforms, the Boer scouts have reported that several Boer guns are so disabled as to be unworthy of being carried off. General Buller has requested that a magazine and staff be sent to Newcastle immediately. The casualties on the march—mostly among the Boers—have been reported as follows:—General Buller expresses his appreciation of the troops.

Mr. Bennet Burleigh, the *Daily Telegraph* correspondent, writing from Kromstad, says that most of the Boer fighting has devolved upon the forward columns, and that the Boers are retreating and retreating twenty miles west of Kromstad.

**General Buller's Forward Movement.**

The *London Times* Dundee correspondent, writing on the 19th inst., says: "The Boer retreat in the Northern Natal appears to have been a rout, and the numbers fleeing have been estimated at 4,000 to 7,000. All their transport appears to have been sent to Vryheid. The troops are making for Laing's Nek, where the English families still remain."

**General Symons' Grave.**

The first act of our troops was to fly the Union Jack over General Symons' grave. The casualties during the advance have been practically nil. General Buller is at Dundee.

**Boer Commanders Trekking Northward.**

The same correspondent, writing on the 19th inst., adds: "The Boers, Lydenburg, and Pretoria Commanders trekked North to Hlotekulu on the 12th, their guns reaching there two days later. The 5th Division have done much hard work marching, climbing, and road-making."

**THE RELIEF OF MAFKING.**

The Grand Assault.

A telegram, dated Lourenço Marques, 19th May, states that severe fighting took place at Mafeking on Friday and Saturday last. A strong force of Boers commanded by Kif and foreigners under Commandant van Deventer, started on the 15th inst., and the native township, burning the hut and driving the defenders into the police barracks. The musketry fire was very heavy on both sides throughout the assault. The assailants utilised every possible cover provided by the rocks in the vicinity. The defenders fought with the most determination throwing very few shots away. The fighting continued all day Saturday, and from Portuguese sources it is declared that the Boers were crushingly defeated, but the Garrison were unable to drive them out of the native town. This position does not endanger the garrison unless relief is unduly postponed.

Telegrams dated the 1st and 2nd May state that both Blacks and Whites in this regard to see exhibits and horse-riders to keep themselves alive; but the garrison was very cheerful, very dry, and very hungry. The enemy continued to shell the town with field guns, but nobody was hurt, and a Billiard Tournament was proceeding at the Club just the same. Other messages state that the staple food is minced mulungu beans.

**Details of the Relief.**

London, May 19.—The Relief Column left Kimberley secretly on April 30th, and passed the Tzongon District without encountering any Boers, but the latter reported it at Vryheid, where the relief column was given to the besiegers to renew the attack to the utmost. The Column consisted of 1,500 Cape Police, Imperial Yeomanry, and the Kimberley Mounted Regiment. The latter were detached to the Tzongon District, where the position of their horses, joining General Buller in time to drive the Boers from Rooibank. The Column had as little baggage as possible, conveyed by led horses and 35 light mule wagons. Abundance of cartridges, and very reasonably stated, two to three maxima, also a couple of pom-poms and four horse guns. The route taken lay west of the railway. After Vryheid, the Column covered twenty miles daily, reaching the Maritzburg river, twenty miles south of Mafeking, on the 12th. The Boers at Kragstad, led back eastwards directly the attack commenced. The Maritzburg furnished plenty of water and good cover. The men were in excellent spirits. A halt was called with a view of arranging a combined attack with Colonel Plummer, who was present.

The official message from Pretoria is so worded as to leave doubt whether the Boers were attacked by the Relief Column, or whether the Boers, contented with the previous attacks on the Relief Column's arrival. This, it seems, happened early on Wednesday or Tuesday evening, for the first reliable message announcing the relief reached Colonel Buller's camp on Wednesday night, and was not until the following day that the news was received at Pretoria until the growing influential Peace party insisted on the publication.

Later messages show the relief was conducted by Colonel Bryan Mahon, one of Lord Kitchener's staff, and Major Bryan Mahon, D.S.O., 8th Hussars, was in the Dongola expedition and at the Abart and Kharum, and has only quite recently gone to South Africa.

**Immense Enthusiasm in London.**

May 18.—The reception of the news in London was attended at night with scenes of indescribable excitement. Most of the people in the West End of the City and the principal squares became impassable. Immense crowds collected everywhere wildly cheering and waving flags and singing national airs. There was general revelry even in the Clubs, whilst the opera was interrupted with a chorus of cheers. Other performances at many theatres became impossible. Reports are arriving from all the Provinces and the Colonies that equally enthusiastic scenes and demonstrations had taken place. A general cessation of work is promised to-morrow.

Reuter's telegram, which was the first to give the news of the relief, was posted up at the Mansion House at 9.30 p.m., and at once spread like wildfire. It was passed along to the Ministerial, and then to the House of Commons, where it was read with enthusiasm. The House was crowded with members, and the news was passed on to the public. The House was crowded with members, and the news was passed on to the public. The House was crowded with members, and the news was passed on to the public.

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